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It is certified that error appears in the above-identified patent and that said Letters Patent is hereby corrected as shown below:

Col. 4, lines 34-49, Claim 1 should read as follows:

An internal combustion engine comprised of an engine body consisting of a]cylinder block having at least one cylinder bore, a cylinder head affixed to said cylinder block in closing relation to said cylinder bore, a crankcase assembly affixed to a portion of said cylinder block in spaced relation to said cylinder head and including an oil pan for collecting lubricating oil from said engine, a crankshaft journalled for rotation about an axis between said cylinder block and said crankcase assembly and driven by a piston reciprocating in said cylinder bore, an engine accessory disposed on a side of said engine and between the ends of said crankshaft and having a shaft driven from said crankshaft and supported directly by said oil pan and another component of said engine body] that is disposed on the other side of a mating plane between said cylinder block and said crankcase assembly from said oil pan.

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Col. 4, lines 55-67, Claim 3 should read as follows:

3. An internal combustion engine comprised of an engine body consisting of a cylinder block having at least one cylinder bore, a cylinder head affixed to said cylinder block in closing relation to said cylinder bore, a crankcase assembly affixed to a portion of said cylinder block in spaced relation to said cylinder head and including an oil pan for collecting lubricating oil from said engine and a bulkhead interposed between said cylinder block and said oil pan, a crankshaft journaled for rotation about an axis between said cylinder block and said crankcase assembly and driven by a piston reciprocating in said cylinder bore, an engine accessory disposed on a side of said engine and between the ends of said crankshaft and having a shaft driven from said crankshaft and supported directly by said oil pan and another component of said engine body that is disposed on the other vertical side of crankshaft axis from the oil pan and not directly supported by said bulkhead.

Signed and Sealed this

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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jon W. Dudas". The signature is stylized with a large, looping initial "J" and a distinct "D" at the end.

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